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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Daniel St.Cyr	2876	

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 17 December 2003.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-7 and 15-27 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 17 December 2003 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 7/04.

- 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. Acknowledgment is made that this application claims benefit of 60/434,989 filed

12/9/2002. *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1-7 and 15-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Stanners, US Patent No. 6,583,864.

Stanners discloses a self-service terminal comprising: an ATM 10 including a user interface 12 which comprises: a visual indicator display 14 in the form of an LCD panel, a key pad 16 for entering transaction details, a cash dispenser slot 18 through which bank notes (valuable media) are dispensed to a user, a display screen 20 for providing transaction information to the user, additional keys (FDKs) 22 disposed at opposite sides of the screen 20 for enabling the user to select preset functions which are displayed on the screen 20 and aligned with the FDKs 22, a receipt printer slot 24 through which a receipt for a transaction may be delivered to the user, and a sensor 26 for detecting when a user is present at the ATM 10, the LCD panel 14 has a transparent center area 70 through which the camera 30 and lens 32 view the user 100; that is, the center area 70 is the entry point for light from a user's eye. In registration with the center area 70 are three concentric visual indicators, each having a single element. Each indicator has a center located in the center area 70, and has a different diameter

to the other indicators; indicators 72, 74, 76, initially, the red indicator 72 is illuminated, shortly thereafter the amber indicator 76 is also illuminated, shortly thereafter the green 74 is also illuminated. The system of Stanners is capable of performing the method steps as set forth in the claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 8-14 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

5. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Although the prior art of record teaches an automated teller machine for performing financial transactions, which includes indication lights, a cash dispenser, card reader, etc. the prior art of record fails to disclose or fairly suggests all the details of the method steps including an array of LEDs having changing color output and a first line of LEDs having only a first output color, the LEDs is supported on a flexible web attached to the first transaction device, etc. These limitations in conjunction with other limitations in the claims were not shown by the prior art of record.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Katou et al, US Patent No. 6,572,013. Depietro et al, US Patent No. 6,601,045.

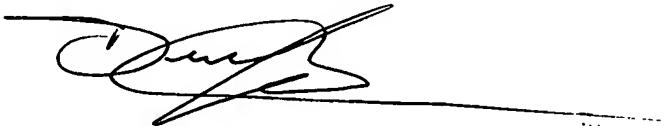
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel St.Cyr whose telephone number is 571-272-2407. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee can be reached on 571-272-2398. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Daniel St.Cyr
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Art Unit 2876

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel St.Cyr". It is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.